EXHIBIT A



(Give your Institute Name) INDIAN INSTITUTE OF CHMICAL TECHNOLOGY

With regard to patent application of Serial No.: 10/695,471 Filed: October 28th, 2003

For: "A Novel Herbal Treatment Composition for the Treatment of Gastric Ulcer"

DECLARATION

Sir:

DR: J MADHUSUDANA RAO declare that

- 1. I am a citizen of India, and I am a Scientist, employed at TECHNOLOGY India. I received my Ph.D. at ANDISA UNIVERSITY..., India.

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- 2. I am a co-inventor of US application serial No, 10/695,471, "A Novel Herbal Treatment Composition for the Treatment of Gastric Ulcer" filed on October 28th, 2003
- 3. I have read and understood the examiner's rejections as outlined in the Office Action mailed on 24th Sept, 2008.
- 4. In response to this rejection, I have conducted a comparative study varying the ratio of the components of the HF 3 and found that the equal proportions of the individual component by weight yields a synergistic effect and preferably has a better anti gastric ulcer activity in all the models which is given below:

Applicants: Janaswamy Madhusudana Rao, et al U.S. Serial No.: 10/695,471

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Anti-ulcer activity against Cold Restraint Stress (CRU) induced ulcer model in rats

Mini-TAB computer programme for gastric ulcer formulation (Permutation combination)

Fractional Design: Low: 50; High: 200

| Batch No | A | В | C | D | E | Ulcer index |
|----------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----------------|
| Control | | | | | | 26.6 |
| 1+ | 200 | 50 | 50 | 50 | 50 | 16.6 |
| 2 | 50 | 50 | 50 | 200 | 200 | 15 |
| 3 | 50 | 50 | 200 | 200 | 50 | 20 |
| 4 | 50 | 200 | 200 | 50 | 50 | 15 |
| 5 | 50 | 200 | 50 | 50 | 200 | 10 |
| 6 | 200 | 200 | 200 | 200 | 200 | 8.3 |
| 7 | 200 | 50 | 200 | 50 | 200 | 20 |
| 8 | 200 | 200 | 200 | 200 | 50 | 16.6 |
| 9 | 200 | 200 | 50 | 200 | 200 | 10.0 |

A: Glycerrhiza glabra

B: Sesamum indicum

C: Trachyspermum roxburghianum

D: Musa sapientum

E: Asparagus racemosus

The HF-3 composition mentioned in the patent containing the mixture of above mentioned plants and batch-6 resulted in good activity against anti gastric ulcer in the all models.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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NAME:
Job Title:

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